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**1979**

**MEMORY BOOK**



**LEEDS WARD**

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS







# THE HISTORY OF LEEDS WARD



Our little valley, known later as Road Valley, welcomed its first settlers in the spring of 1867. They came to Harrisburg three miles to the south.

A town was organized December 1st of that year, with Benjamin Stringham as Presiding Elder. The town was given the name of "Bennington" in his honor.

At a meeting held in May, 1869, under the direction of Erastus Snow, Elder Stringham requested that the town be renamed Leeds after Leeds, England where Stringham had served a mission.

Organizational matters as recorded at that time are very confusing. However, Leeds was a part of the Harrisburg Branch and under a Presiding Elder, and his counselors. The Harrisburg Branch was attached to the Washington Ward with Robert Covington as Bishop.

Later the Leeds members were attached to the Toquerville Ward. It seems at this time that each village or town had its own Presiding Elder. Those who served in that capacity over Leeds were, in consecutive order: Solomon Angell, James Lewis, and Orson B. Adams.

In March, 1874, the two towns, Leeds and Harrisburg were organized as a ward with Willys D. Fuller as Bishop. He was set apart by President Brigham Young, George Albert Smith, and John W. Young.

In 1876, after Willys Fuller moved to Arizona, Goudy Hogan was made Bishop of Leeds and Harrisburg was made an appendage.

A rock building that served as a chapel and school house was constructed in 1875. This twenty-three by thirty-six foot structure had in its belfry a bell brought west by Johnston's Army.

Bishop Hogan moved his family to Orderville in the spring of 1877, and was gone a great deal. During his absence Zemira Palmer presided temporarily over the ward.

In December of that year Bishop Hogan was released and George H. Crosby took his place. Bishop Crosby served until 1885 when he resigned to move to Arizona. When he was released on November 7, the ward was put in charge of his 1st counselor, Joseph T. Wilkinson assisted by counselor B. Y. McMullin.

March 7, 1886, Brigham Young McMullin was set apart to preside over the Ward.

In 1891-92, under the Bishop's supervision a rock tithing office was built. It had a cellar and was surrounded by a rock wall.

Bishop McMullin was released November 12, 1913, and David Stirling took his place. He served until September 16, 1928, and then Ira Edward McMullin was called.

Under Bishop McMullin's supervision, a new chapel was started November 4, 1929. It incorporated into its structure the old rock chapel and cost \$10,450. The ward's share was \$5,600. President Heber J. Grant dedicated it September 30, 1930.

The Bishops following McMullin were Stanley Fuller, Charles Allen, Clair Stirling, Ross Savage, Walter Eager, Merlin Sullivan, Ray Gleave, and our present Bishop, Carlyle Stirling.

Our present chapel was built under the supervision of Bishop Gleave. Ground breaking was August 31, 1974. It was dedicated March 21, 1976 by Elder Thomas S. Monson, and cost a little over \$500,000.

There were on the average of 240 members in the ward through the year 1979.





*How great the wisdom and the love  
That filled the courts on high  
And sent the Savior from above  
To suffer, bleed, and die!*

*His precious blood he freely spilt;  
His life he freely gave,  
A sinless sacrifice for guilt,  
A dying world to save.*

*He marked the path and led the way,  
And every point defines  
To light and life and endless day  
Where God's full presence shines.*

*How great, how glorious, how complete,  
Redemption's grand design,  
Where justice, love and mercy meet  
In harmony divine!*



Bishop Carlyle Stirling



# Leadership



## BISHOPRIC

Carlyle Stirling--Bishop  
Allan Howard--1st Counselor  
Lamar Sullivan--2nd Counselor



## WARD CLERKS AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Charles Walsh--Ward Clerk  
William Miller--Finance Clerk  
Elmer Carr--Executive Secretary

Faith in  
Jesus Christ  
gives us the  
power that causes  
action to . . .

Pray

Repent

Serve Others

Attend Church

Meet Trials

Resist Temptation

Pay Tithing

etc.



## HIGH PRIESTS

Clyn Davenport--Group Leader

LaVarr B. Webb--2nd Counselor  
Merlin Sullivan--1st Counselor  
Shirl Kimball--Secretary



## ELDERS

Kenneth Frandsen--1st Counselor  
Ray Beal--President  
Wayne Hafen--Secretary

Wherefore, now let every man learn his duty,  
and to act in the office in which he is appointed,  
in all diligence.

He that is slothful shall not be counted worthy  
to stand, and he that learns not his duty and  
shows himself not approved shall not be counted  
worthy to stand.

Doctrine and Covenants 107:99, 100

PRIESTS  
DEACONS

Alex Beal--Priests Advisor  
Val Roberts--Deacons Advisor







### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Eldon Stirling--1st Counselor  
 Fred Friese--President  
 Glen Beal--2nd Counselor



### YWMIA

Geraldine Stirling--Secretary  
 Jean Beal--1st Counselor  
 Louise Stirling--President  
 Janice Jenkins--2nd Counselor



She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness.

Her children arise up, and call her blessed her husband also, and he praiseth her.

Proverbs 31:27, 28

### RELIEF SOCIETY

Frances Winsor--Secretary  
 Tana Sullivan--1st Counselor  
 Florence Pickering--President  
 Cecelia Ludwig--2nd Counselor





# PRIMARY

Nancy Pisarsky--Secretary  
Sandra Harper--2nd Counselor  
Connie Peine--President  
Annette Nielsen--1st Counselor







#### LIBRAIANS

Bette Russell--Assistant  
Mildred Miller--Librarian

Hildegard Scheuber--Assistant  
Lorraine Wilcken--Librarian  
Maxine Owen Webb--Assistant







*Put on therefore, as the elect of God,  
holy and beloved, bowels of  
mercies, kindness, humbleness of  
mind, meekness, longsuffering;  
Forbearing one another, and  
forgiving one another, if any man  
have a quarrel against any: even as  
Christ forgave you, so also do ye.*

COLOSSIANS 3:12-13



Charles and Irma Allen



Lucile Anderson



Glenn and Wilma Beal





Alex and Jean Beal with Julie,  
Teresa, and Darren

*Ye have heard that it was said by  
them of old time, Thou shalt not  
kill; and whosoever shall kill shall  
be in danger of the judgment:  
But I say unto you, That whosoever  
is angry with his brother without a  
cause shall be in danger of the  
judgment: . . . but whosoever  
shall say, Thou fool, shall be in  
danger of hell fire.*

MATTHEW 5:21-22



Ray and Verlynn Beal with Lori,  
Brenda, Brent, and Nicole







Elmer and Vernell Carr



Clynn and Rilla Davenport



Orlo and Ermina Davenport



Roy and Mary Ann Dean





Walter and Jessie Eager



Kenneth and Cheryl Ethington with Jennifer, Kelly, David, Christopher, and Kimberley



Donald and Rebecca Fawson with Alishia, Rachele, Nanalee, Jerom, Jacob, and Karee

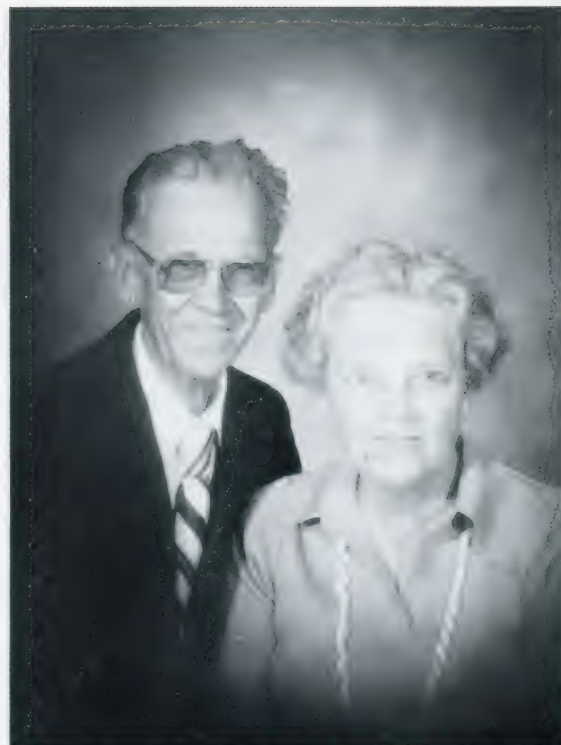


Lyman W. Fluckiger





June and Alice Forsha



Kenneth and Elma Frandsen



Linden and Iola Frandsen



Loyal and Leah Frandsen





Harold and Sherry Friedel with Janet,  
Harold IV, David, Darrell, and  
Jewelee Ann



#### ST. MATTHEW 25

31 ¶ When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:

32 And before him shall be gathered all nations; and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth *his* sheep from the goats:

33 And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.

34 Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

35 For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in:

36 Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me.



Fred and Carol Frieese with Fred,  
Richard, and Sharon







Clara Garton



Ethyl George



Ray and Eleanor Gifford



Hal and Bonnie Goodrich



## ST. LUKE 22

14 And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him.

15 And he said unto them, With desire I have desired to eat this pass-over with you before I suffer:

16 For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God.

17 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, Take this, and divide it among yourselves:

18 For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall come.

19 ¶ And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me.

20 Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.



Wayne Hafen with Robert and Benjamin



Joann Trude Hafen with Tina Trude



*Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart.*

*(Deuteronomy 6:5.)*

*Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.*

*(Leviticus 19:18.)*



# *I Am A Child of God*



William and Carlynn Hall with Scott, Julie, Carl, Jodilynn, and Jill



George and LaVern Hamilton



James and Edna Haslam

## ST. LUKE 18

16 But Jē'sus called them *unto him*, and said, Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.

17 Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child shall in no wise enter therein.





Ralph and Sandra Harper with Sally Dulin, Heidi, Jason, Amy, and Ryan, Matthew was at scout camp



### ST. MATTHEW 18

2 And Jē'sus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them,

3 And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

4 Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

5 And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me.



Alan and Sandra Howard with Sherman, Marcia, Roger, Chanda, Aubree, and Richard







Roy and Janice Jenkins with Judy and Rick



Zola S. Jolley



Talmage and Vera Jean Jones

*Therefore I give unto you a commandment, to teach these things freely  
unto your children.*

*(Moses 6:58.)*





Shirl and Martha Kimball



Aaron and Lucinda Larson



Veannetta Laub, Edna B. Griffiths and Ensign C. Griffiths Jr.



*The home is what needs reforming. . . . Let love, and peace, and the Spirit of the Lord, kindness, charity, sacrifice for others, abound in your families. Banish harsh words.*

Joseph F. Smith, Gospel Doctrine, 1968 ed.  
(Salt Lake City: Deseret Book Co., 1939), p. 302





Lorin and Alberta Lee with Ben



Glen and EvaDene Long with Mirian,  
Michael, Allen, and Michele



Herbert and Cecelia Ludwig



Veir and Evelyn McMullin





William and Mildred Miller



Mark and Janet Ludlow with Bradley and Dean







Annette Nielsen with Alisa,  
Kristen, and Brent



Rosalie Nielsen with Connie



James and Maxine Owen with Teresa

Happiness is the object and design of our existence; and will  
be the end thereof, if we pursue the path which leads to it.

*Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, p. 255*





Russell and Connie Peine with Paul, Steven, Phillip, Sandra, Jennifer, and Michael

## *Plan to Be Happy*



Becky Sue Peine



Richard and Nancy Pisarsky with James and Jerald



Clarence Prisbrey





Errol and Florence Pickering



Gordon and Bette Russell

## D. &amp; C... 128.

19. Now, what do we hear in the gospel which we have received? A voice of gladness! A voice of mercy from heaven; and a voice of "truth out of the earth; glad tidings for the dead; a voice of gladness for the living and the dead; glad tidings of great joy. How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of those that bring glad tidings of good things, and that say unto Zion: Behold, thy God reigneth! As the dews of Carmel, so shall the knowledge of God descend upon them!

20. And again, what do we hear? Glad tidings from Cumorah! Moroni, an angel from heaven, declaring the fulfilment of the prophets—"the book to be revealed. A voice of the Lord in the wilderness of Fayette, Seneca

22. Brethren, shall we not go on in so great a cause? Go forward and not backward. Courage, brethren; and on, on to the victory! Let your hearts rejoice, and be exceedingly glad. Let the earth break forth into singing. Let the "dead speak forth anthems of eternal praise to the King Immanuel, who hath ordained, before the world was, that which would enable us to redeem them out of their "prison; for the prisoners shall go free.



Val and Julie Roberts with Allan, Alison, Kristin, Nathan, Eleanor, and Charlotte

23. Let the mountains shout for joy, and all ye valleys cry aloud; and all ye seas and dry lands tell the wonders of your Eternal King! And ye rivers, and brooks, and rills, flow down with gladness. Let the woods and all the trees of the field praise the Lord; and ye solid rocks weep for joy! And let the sun, moon,

and the morning stars sing together, and let all the sons of God shout for joy! And let the eternal creations declare his name forever and ever! And again I say, how glorious is the voice we hear from heaven, proclaiming in our ears, glory, and salvation, and honor, and immortality, and eternal life; kingdoms, principalities, and powers!



## DOC. AND COV. 50.

24. That which is of God is light; and he that receiveth light, and continueth in God, receiveth more light; and that light groweth brighter and brighter until the perfect day.



Elene Savage



Ross and Ellen Savage with Susan



Afton Stauffer



## DOC. AND COV. 76.

5. For thus saith the Lord—I, the Lord, am merciful and gracious unto those who fear me, and delight to honor those who serve me in righteousness and in truth unto the end.

6. Great shall be their reward and eternal shall be their glory.

7. And to them will I reveal 'all mysteries, yea, all the hidden mysteries of my kingdom from days of old, and for ages to come, will I make known unto them the good pleasure of my will concerning all things pertaining to my kingdom.

8. Yea, even the 'wonders of eternity shall they know, and

things to come will I show them, even the things of many generations.

9. And their wisdom shall be great, and their understanding reach to heaven; and before them the wisdom of the wise shall perish, and the understanding of the prudent shall come to naught.





William and Hildegard Scheuber



Roy and Evelyn Sohm



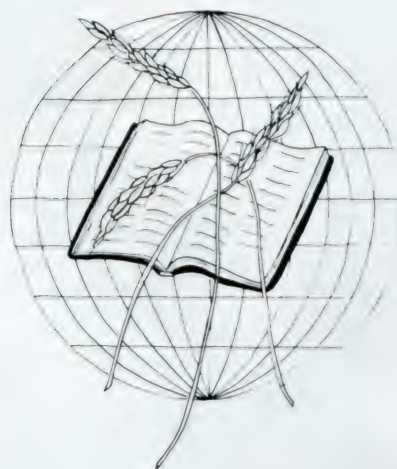
Ethel Stirling



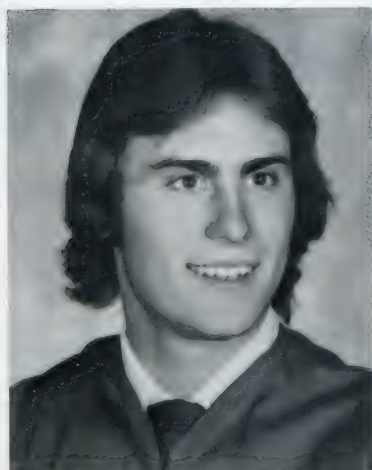
Eldon and Louise Stirling with  
Tanna, Christine, and Lyman



*The fields are white already  
unto harvest John 4:35*



Carlyle and Geraldine Stirling with Mack,  
Lloyd, Colleen, Curtis, and Carol



*And we beseech you, brethren, to  
know them which labour among  
you, and are over you in the Lord,  
and admonish you;*

*And to esteem them very highly  
in love for their work's sake. And  
be at peace among yourselves.*

1 THESSALONIANS 5:12-13





A. V. (Bill) and Lillian Stratton



Vernal and Neola Stratton



Ronald and Diana Sinclair with Larissa, Shelina, DeVonna, DeLonna, Alania, Paul Joshua, Enock, and Seth

# TEN COMMANDMENTS OF LOVE FOR US

## 1 First and Second Laws of God 2

"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment."

"And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."





A. B. (Burt) Sullivan

I got up early one morning and  
rushed right into the day;  
I had so much to accomplish that I  
didn't take time to pray.  
Problems just tumbling about me,  
and heavier came each task;  
"Why doesn't God help me?"  
I wondered.  
He answered: "You didn't ask."  
I wanted to see joy and beauty —  
But the day toiled on, gray and bleak;  
I wondered why God didn't show me,  
He said "But you didn't seek."  
I tried to come into God's presence,  
I used all my keys at the lock.  
God gently and lovingly chided:  
"My child, you didn't knock."  
I woke up early this morning and  
paused before entering the day;  
I had so much to accomplish  
That I had to take time to pray.

— Selected



Lamar and Karen Sullivan with John,  
Lonnie, David, and Troy



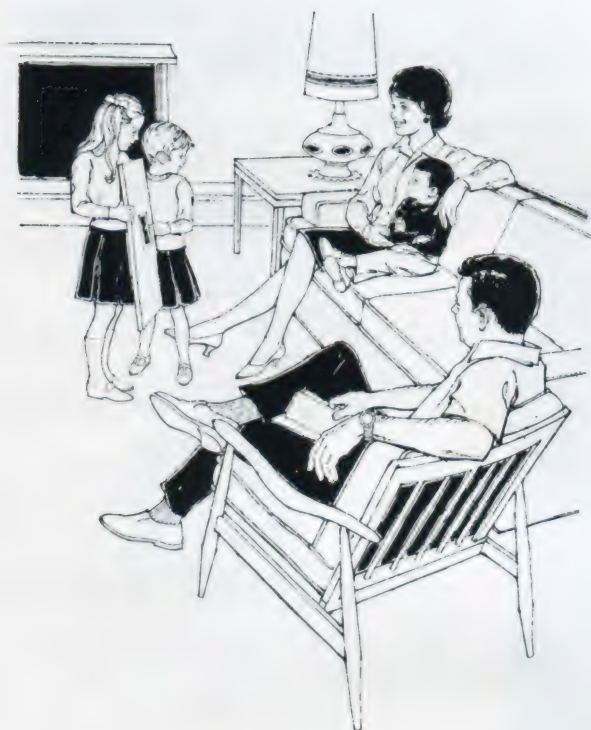
#### The Ten Commandments

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|--|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.                  | 5. Honor thy father and thy mother.   |
| 2. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.           | 6. Thou shalt not kill.               |
| 3. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain. | 7. Thou shalt not commit adultery.    |
| 4. Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.                | 8. Thou shalt not steal.              |
|  | 9. Thou shalt not bear false witness. |
|  | 10. Thou shalt not covet.             |





Merlin and Tana Sullivan with Shane



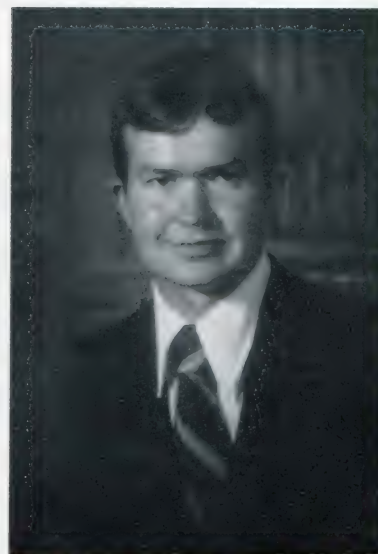
Hulda Thomas

Train up a child in the way he should go: and  
when he is old, he will not depart from it.  
Prov. 22:6 (K.J.)





Joseph and Joan Van Seters with Kelly Jo  
and Mathew



Jack Walsh



Charles and Josephine Walsh



Lane and Lorain Wilcken

Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his  
presence with singing. Enter into his gates with  
thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise:  
be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

Psa. 100:2,4 (K.J.)





LaVarr and Eleanor Webb with Gaylen and Glen



Ervin and Frances Winsor

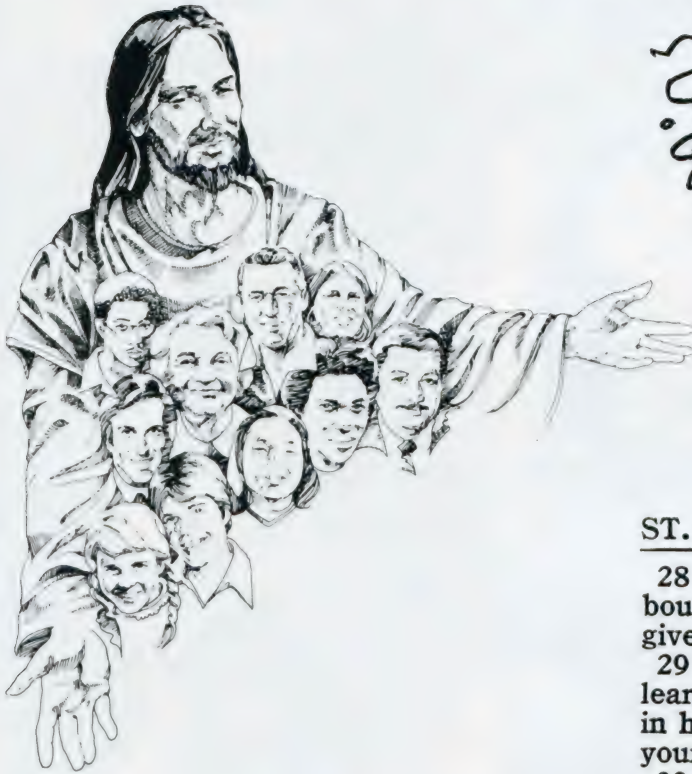


Marcia Winsor and Tessa

### JAMES 5

19 Brethren, if any of you do err  
from the truth, and one convert him;  
20 Let him know, that he which con-  
verteth the sinner from the error  
of his way shall save a soul from  
death, and shall hide a multitude of  
sins.





### ST. MATTHEW 11

28 ¶ Come unto me, all *ye* that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

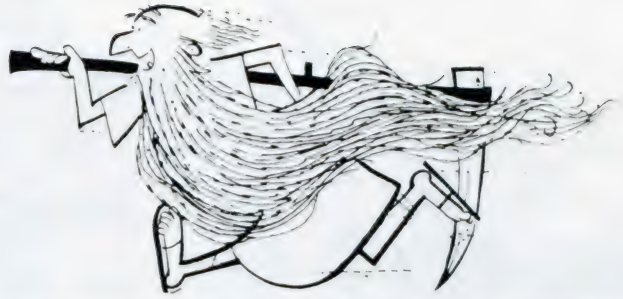


Alan Howard, Janice Jenkins, Louise Sterling, Bishop Carlyle Stirling, Julie Beal, Connie Nielsen, Lori Beal, Teresa Owen, Miriam Long, Christine Stirling















# My Stewardship to Obey the Laws of God

## Attitudes That Lead to Disobedience

I obey these laws only to do a favor for my parents, the Church, and even Jesus and our Heavenly Father.

I don't like to be told what to do. I like to do as I please.

I don't feel that I should obey any law that interferes with my pleasure.

I don't think it hurts to break the laws sometimes—especially if no one knows about it.

## Attitudes That Lead to Obedience

When I obey laws of God I do myself a favor because every law is for my benefit, as well as the benefit of others.

I believe that all of the laws are important. I want to obey them as well as I possibly can.

When I fall short I am sorry and try to do better.

## Results Of Disobedience

No true happiness; "wickedness never was happiness." (Alma 41:10.)

"No peace [for] the wicked." (Isaiah 48:22.)

"Desolation...awaits the wicked, both in this world and in the world to come." (D&C 88:85.)

Blessings cannot be received.  
(See D&C 130:20-21.)

A place in a lower kingdom. (See D&C 88:21.)

## Results of Obedience

Happiness—obtained by keeping the commandments. (Smith, *Teachings*, p.255-56.)

"Wisdom, and knowledge, and joy"—  
from obedience. (Ecclesiastes 2:26.)

Peace—"the work of righteousness."  
(Isaiah 32:17, D&C 19:23.)

Strength—the "faithful shall be made strong."  
(D&C 66:8.)

Blessings come from obedience.  
(See D&C 130:20-21.)

"A place in the celestial world."  
(D&C 78:7.)

Happiness is the object and design of our existence; and will be the end thereof, if we pursue the path that leads to it; and this path is...keeping all the commandments of God.

Joseph Smith, *Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith*, comp. Joseph Fielding Smith (Salt Lake City: Deseret Book Co., 1938), p. 255-56.



O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the earth. Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name: Bring an offering, and come into his courts. O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth.

Psa. 96: 1,8,9 (K.J.)



### "The Praying Hands"

The "Praying Hands" are much, much more  
 than just a work of art,  
 They are the "soul's creation" of a deeply thankful heart  
 They are a Priceless Masterpiece  
 that love alone could paint.

And they reveal the Selflessness of an unheralded saint  
 These hands so scarred and toilworn, tell the story of a man  
 Who sacrificed his talent in accordance with God's Plan  
 For in God's Plan are many things man cannot understand,  
 But we must trust God's judgment  
 and be guided by His Hand

Sometimes He asks us to give up our dreams of happiness,  
 Sometimes we must forego our hopes of fortune and success,  
 Not all of us can triumph or rise to heights of fame,  
 And many times What should be Ours,  
 goes to Another Name

But he who makes a sacrifice, so another may succeed,  
 Is indeed a true disciple of our blessed Saviour's creed  
 For when we "give ourselves away" in sacrifice and love,  
 We are laying up rich treasures  
 in God's kingdom up above  
 And hidden in gnarled, toilworn hands  
 is the truest Art of Living,  
 Achieved alone by those who've learned  
 the "Victory of Giving"

For any sacrifice on earth, made in the Lord's name,  
 Assures the Giver of a Place in Heavens Hall of Fame.  
 And who can say with certainty  
 Where the Greatest Talent Lies.  
 Or Who Will Be the Greatest  
 In Our Heavenly Father's Eyes!



# The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven,

Hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done on earth,

As it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts,

As we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil;

For Thine is the kingdom, and the

Power, and the glory, for ever.

Amen



# Just for Today

*Just for today I will try to live through this day only, and not tackle my whole life problem at once. I can do something for twelve hours that would appall me if I felt I had to keep it up for a lifetime.*

*Just for today I will be happy. This assumes to be true what Abraham Lincoln said, "Most folks are as happy as they make up their minds to be."*

*Just for today I will adjust myself to what is, and not try to adjust everything to my own desires. I will take my life as it comes, and fit myself to it.*

*Just for today I will try to strengthen my mind. I will study. I will learn something useful. I will not be a mental loafer. I will read something that requires effort, thought and concentration.*

*Just for today I will exercise my soul in three ways, I will do somebody a good turn, and not get found out; if anybody knows of it, it will not count. I will do at least two things I don't want to do — just for exercise. I will not show anyone that my feelings are hurt; they may be hurt, but today I will not show it.*

*Just for today I will be agreeable. I will look as well as I can, dress becomingly, talk low, act courteously, criticise not one bit, not find fault with anything, and not try to improve or regulate anybody but myself.*

*Just for today I will have a programme. I may not follow it exactly, but I will have it, I will save myself from two pests — hurry and indecision.*

*Just for today I will have a quiet half hour all by myself, and relax. During this half hour, sometime, I will try to get a better perspective of my life.*

*Just for today I will be unafraid. Especially I will not be afraid to enjoy what is beautiful, and to believe that as I give to the world, so the world will give to me.*









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